

## College Notes.

Glenford, O., sends three students to Ashland College.

Brother D. J. Palmer filled the pulpit at Mansfield last Sabbath.

New students are still coming in, and the outlook is decidedly encouraging.

All the students at the College are busy. There is work for all, and abundance of it.

Send your boys and girls to Ashland University. Of two things you may be assured: Thorough instruction, and pure, Christian associations.

Prof. J. Allen Miller, Dean of the Theological Department, filled the appointments at Ankeneytown and North Liberty, Jan. 26 and 27.

Brother Miller preached two excellent sermons at the College chapel, last Sabbath. The congregations are growing in numbers, and the interest is increasing.

The theological boys are continuing the practical part of their work. W. A. Welty filled the appointment at Gretna, Ohio, January 27, and S. B. Grisso, at Buckeye City, Ohio, same date.

Miss Sadie Berkley, Musical Director, will give a Musicale in the College chapel Tuesday evening, Feb. 5. Following is the program:

Piano Solo—Qui Vive Galop.

Vocal Duett—I Would That My Love—Sadie Berkley, Lizzie Brenaman.

Piano—*a.* A Dream, (*From the 1001 Nights*)—*b.* Fleurs B'oranger, (Valse)—Bertha Gnagey.

Vocal Solo—The Clang of the Forge—Charles Ford.

Piano—Alice.

Recitation—Aunt Jemima's Courtship—Jessie McKinley.

Vocal Duett—Funiculi, Funicula—Misses Berkley and Brenaman.

Piano—*a.* Retrospection—*b.* 5th Valse.

Essay—Rubenstein—Lizzie Brenaman.

Piano—Selected.

Quartette—Profundo Basso, (By Request.)—Messrs. Phillips and Ford. Misses Berkley and Brenaman.

Admission Free. All are invited. The students will give a social after the Musicale.

No grace is more necessary to the Christian worker than fidelity, the humble grace that marches on in sunshine and storm, when no banners are waving, and there is no music to cheer the weary feet.—S. J. Nicholls.

## NO DRUNKARDS THERE.

There is a beautiful land, we are told,  
With rivers of silver and streets of gold;  
Bright are the beings whose shining feet  
Wander along each quiet street;  
Sweet is the music that fills the air—  
No drunkards are there.

No garrets are there, where the weary waif,  
Where the room is cold and the hours are late;  
No pale-faced wife with looks of fear,  
Listens for steps she dreads to hear,  
The hearts are freed from pain and care;  
No drink is sold there.

Father; look from thy throne, I pray;  
Hasten, oh! hasten the glorious day;  
Help us to work as a Christian band  
To drive the demon away from the land,  
Teach us to say, We will dry every tear  
Which drink makes flow here.

## King's Children.

### ASHLAND SOCIETY.

The King's Children Society of the Ashland church met as usual on Sunday evening, Jan. 6, 1895, with Sister Sadie Berkley in the chair. The president and vice president being absent at the last meeting in December, the election of officers was postponed until the above named evening, when the society proceeded to elect its officers with the following result: brother A. D. Gnagey, president; sister Lizzie Brenaman, vice president; brother J. T. Kolp, Treasurer; Brother Summers, marshal. The Senior society has about 50 members and the Junior about 40 members.

MARY L. KOLP, Sec.

### FROM WEST ALEXANDRIA, O.

I wish to say that we have just completed an organization of King's Children in the Brethren church in this city, and so far have had good success. The officers elected were Daniel Minderman, president; Clarence McBride, vice president; William Saylor, secretary; Carrie Baker, treasurer, and Tom Emlet, marshal. We held our first regular meeting last Sunday evening. We firmly believe that every Brethren church should have a young people's meeting, as it develops the mind of the young children more clearly in the Word of God. We have about thirty-five members now and others have a desire to become members of King's Children. We are glad to say that we can be called "Children of a King."

Jan. 14.

CLARENCE MCBRIDE.

WE leave the poor out of our calculations until all others have been provided for, and the result is too often, as your case, that they must go empty-handed. What a mockery it is to say, "God pity the poor," as I have heard it said, when my spirit burned within me to retaliate, "Go, pity them yourself!"—Julia Thayer.

## Our Question Drawer.

### MATTHEW 18:18.

DEAR BRO.:—We read in Matthew xviii, 18, "Verily I say unto you, whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." Was this power of binding and loosing given to the church (or congregation,) or to the twelve apostles, or to Peter only? Please give us the best you have in store on this question through the EVANGELIST. Wishing you all a blessed New Year, I remain your brother,

Very Truly, JOHN NICHOLSON.

ANS.—It is needless to state that this passage is of disputed meaning. The section in Matthew from which the above is taken concerns itself with The Discipline of the Church.

1. Studying Matt. 16:18-19 in connection with Matt. 18:18 and John 20:23, we can only conclude that whatever was the power delegated, it was not given to Peter *alone*, to the exclusion of the other apostles. This conclusion is emphasized by the fact that in the New Testament the superiority of Peter over the other apostles is nowhere claimed nor conceded.

2. The apostles, as the representatives of the church, were invested with the power of Discipline in the church. The church, through her regularly constituted officers, retains the authority to administer Discipline.

3. The terms "to bind" and "to loose;" "to remit" and "to retain" are made by good authorities to be equivalent. The idea expressed may be thus stated: In the exercise of this delegated power the admission or non-admission into the church and the pronouncing of sentence upon disciplined members is embraced. This empowers those who are thus invested, whether it be in refusing admission into the church or excluding from it, to declare whether a thing or an act be *lawful* or *unlawful*, and to pronounce sentence accordingly. The legality or illegality to be sure must in every case be determined by the accepted standard of law. In the church this is the Word of God. The sentence pronounced must, therefore, be in every instance in harmony with the Spirit of Christ and the Gospel.

J. ALLEN MILLER.

MANY Christians have to endure the solitude of unnoticed labor. They are serving God in a way which is exceedingly useful, but not at all noticeable. How very sweet to many workers are those little corners of the newspapers and magazines which describe their labors and successes; yet some who are doing what God will think a great deal more of at the last, never saw their names in print.—Spurgeon.